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FM AMEMBASSY BLANTYRE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 6143

INFO AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY LISBON PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY LONDON PRIORITY

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AMEMBASSY LUSAKA PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY PRETORIA PRIORITY

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E. O. 11652: N/ A

TAGS: PBOR, MI

SUBJ: REPORTED CLASH BETWEEN PORTUGUESE AND MALAWI FORCES

1. SOUTH AFRICAN AND BRITISH EMBASSIES TELL US THAT SOUTH AFRICAN AND SALISBURY RADIOS AND AGENCE FRANCE PRESS ARE CARRYING STORY TO EFFECT THAT CLASH HAS OCCURRED ON MALAWI BORDER BETWEEN MALAWI AND PORTUGUESE TROOPS. MALAWI ALLEGEDLY SENDING ARMORED CARS TO AREA.

2. AMBASSADOR TELEPHONED GEORGE JAFU, SECRETARY TO PRESIDENT AND CABINET, TO INQUIRE ABOUT REPORT. JAFU STATES STORY IS COMPLETELY FALSE; THERE IS NOTHING TO IT. NO CLASHES HAVE OCCURRED.

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3. IN DRIVING TO ZOMBA MAY 4, AMBASSADOR OBSERVED THREE
MALAWI ARMY FERRET ARMORED CARS PROCEEDING AT HIGH SPEED
ALONG ROUTE THAT COULD LEAD TO PORTUGUESE BORDER. THIS
COULD HAVE GIVEN CREDENCE TO STORIES.

4. WE ARE CONTINUING TO CHECK AND WILL REPORT ANY FURTHER
INFO SOONEST.
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